

To: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Providers

Date: July 24, 2023

Subject: COVID-19 administrative easings end as the public health emergency ends

SUMMARY: With guidance from the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire has ended most COVID-19 administrative flexibilities as of May 11, 2023.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and public health emergency, DHHS and its Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) had issued a joint communication in July 2020 about the COVID-19 administrative flexibilities put in place. As of May 11, 2023, most of these flexibilities have ended.

DHHS now authorizes the State's contracted Medicaid MCOs, including AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire, to return to pre-emergency standard operating procedures for all members. See the attached for the flexibilities that have been rescinded.

All other DHHS COVID-19 flexibilities described in other guidance or publications are currently under review. Any changes will be communicated separately.

Note: We will continue to waive prior authorization for generic non-controlled behavioral health drugs.

Questions:

If you have questions about this communication, please contact your Provider Network Management Account Executive or the Provider Services department at **1-888-599-1479**, or Provider Pharmacy Services at **1-888-765-6394** (TTY 1-855-809-9206).